thence committed to prison by reason of his absurd and untrue, but yet very confident, assertions, giving just occasion thereby to suspect that he was but a counterfeit

Moreover the boy Darling that was dispossessed at Burton two years ago was also brought to London, and he being closely examined also hath confessed that his possession was counterfeit, and wrote out a confession accordingly, which he signed But being set at liberty he had conference with Mr Darrell in the Gatehouse and thereupon wrote a letter to the Bishop of London affirming that he had been drawn on by subtleties to make this confession

Hereafter he was called before the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, the Lord Chief Justices, and others, and the deposition against him heard in open court Whereupon Mr Darrell was by the full agreement of the whole court con-demned for a counterfeit, and together with Mr More, is committed to close prison till other order be taken for their further punishment

At this Mr DarrelPs friends make great complaints on his behalf, as one whom God hath honoured to suffer for the testimony of His Holy Truth ? also that he was convicted before the Archbishop without hearing or examining They say that his judges before any conviction exceedingly re\ iled him, becoming parties, pleaders and accusers , and that there hath been running to court to forestall tne Lords and Ladies of honour and others that would present a petition on his behalf As for the boy Darling, he was kept in the Bishop of London's house, none of his friends suffered to come unto him He was allured by promises, terrified by threatenings, as that he should be

hanged as the Burgoman was, whom they showed unto him

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The Lord Treasurer aileth greatly these kst days On the 24th he had no rest all the night, and yesterday attempting to rise out of his bed he was so weak that he could not sit up To-day he would have one of the Queen's surgeons sent to him, and is much worse t^an he was after a very evil night, being still weaker and unable to read letters or sit up to do any business.